

William DAVIS

FAMILY HISTORY

William DAVIS and (1) Elizabeth HOPE Leave England for Documentation

3 June 1864
Wm & Elizabeth set sail

Age	Date:	Fact:	Document or Source of Information:
24	31 May 1864	William DAVIS and Elizabeth HOPE Were to sail for America from England: Left home in: 29 May 1864	1. History of William DAVIS in DHP Book: "How Beautiful upon the Mountains," pp 327 From England to America
	or 3 June 1864	- On (date): 31 May 1864 ship sailed Obtained Passage on ship: "HUDSON" Set sail from: London ^{Church Chronology} England How long on Atlantic Ocean: 6 wks Arrived at: New York Harbor	2. "Church Chronology," by Andrew Jenson pp 70-71 or Liverpool said Mary Ann Davis Moulton
19 July 1864		On (date): 19 July 1864 Captain of ship: How many aboard ship: Who was in charge of the Company of LDS group:	3. "Our Pioneer Heritage," (DHP Book) Vol. 6 pp 268-269 " " " " " " Vol. 8 pp 14 " " " " " " Vol. 16 pp 457-459
		Arrived @ Wyoming Nebraska on the Missouri, River	4. Tradition: Sophia Collins Beck Halladay told Dr RRG Green in ^{13 Feb} 1979 that Wm DAVIS & wife Elizabeth Hope and John Collins Jr. and Mary Goddard traveled in the same company in June 1864 from England to America & on to Salt Lake City.
			5. See copy of ship Hudson Log

"How Beautiful Upon The Mountains" pp 327-8
Biography of William Davis

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William Davis was born January 2, 1830, in Wilsford, Wiltshire, England, on a farm and became an expert plowman, taking many prizes at plowing matches. He married Elizabeth Hope about 1854, near where they were both born and reared. He was baptized February 2, 1852, by Elder George Stone (and probably Elizabeth, too), near their birth place.

In 1864 they made arrangements to sail from Liverpool on the sailing ship "Hudson," in the latter part of May, with their four children. The date of sailing was postponed a few days so the family, having disposed of their household goods, went to visit with Elizabeth's parents until the ship sailed. While there, their youngest child was taken ill and died on the 29th of May. The family had to be in Liverpool the next day, so had to leave without having the privilege of attending the funeral of their little one. It was a severe trial to leave, but the sailing ship would leave them if they were not there. The boat sailed May 31, 1864. They were on the Atlantic ocean six weeks and a few days, landing at New York on July 19.

Nebraska

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From New York they went to the village of Wyoming, which is on the Missouri River. There they were met by ox teams and wagons sent from Utah to bring the emigrants across the plains to Utah.

A few days after starting, Elizabeth and her little son Moroni, six years old, became seriously ill with dysentery. While William was doing all he could to help and comfort his wife, his little son called in a weak voice, "Daddy, daddy." William went to him and learned he wanted soup. He promised to get some and turned back to his wife, who was dying. He begged her to try to live and prayed to the Lord to spare her, but she passed away. He turned to go to his little boy and get some soup for him, but he was too late. The sisters came to do what they could. He had to bury them by the side of the road, without coffins and little time for ceremonies.

When they finally arrived in Utah, their Uncle William (Hail-Stone), who had been in Utah some years, met them in Echo Canyon and brought them to the Hailstone ranch, where he made his home many years. Collins

On April 10, 1865, William Davis married Mary Goddard Colind, in the Endowment House. She had lost her husband on the plains in 1864. She made a splendid stepmother to William's two remaining children. His son was drowned three years after their arrival, while trying to cross high water in the Provo River in a wagon.

Their ranch home was by the side of the road and anyone who needed help or food were always made welcome at the Davis ranch. William and Mary Goddard Colind, Collins Davis reared a family of four sons and two daughters.

William Davis acted as Presiding Elder at Elkhorn for some years, also the office of a High Priest. In 1866 and 1867 he took part in the Black Hawk War.

He was called to pass through severe trials, but he kept jovial and cheerful as long as he lived and his faith in God never faltered.

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by the Saints on the Muddy, Arizona (now

Nevada).

A long and desperate war be-

tween the settlers in Sanpete and Sevier

Valleys and the Indians under the chief

Black Hawk was commenced. Many of the

settlers were killed and wounded.

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Fri. 23.—Samuel H. Davis was accidentally killed in G. S. L. City, while engaged in walling up a well.

1865.

This year new settlements were founded by the Saints on the Muddy, Arizona (now Nevada). A long and desperate war between the settlers in Sanpete and Sevier Valleys and the Indians under the chief Black Hawk was commenced. Many of the settlers were killed and wounded.

January. Sun. 8.—The first Latter-day Saint settlers on the lower Muddy (now in Lincoln Co., Nev.) arrived there. Under the presidency of Thos. S. Smith they and other settlers, who followed, located St. Thomas.

—Daniel H. Wells succeeded Apostle Geo. Q. Cannon as president of the European mission.

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John Davis	33	Labour
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Hope	9	do
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Thomas	5	do
George	5	do
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John Giltner	14	Labour
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Ships log for "Hudson" ship

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beloved and honored. Each of his wives lived to be 80 years of age and, like their honored husband, was loved by everyone.

JAMES CRAWFORD
MURDOCH
SARAH ELIZABETH GILES
MURDOCH



James Crawford Murdoch, son of John M. and Isabella Crawford Murdoch, was born February 11, 1869, in Heber City, Utah. His boyhood days were spent very much like those of other pioneer children—herding cows, gathering wood, going fishing, and swimming in the swimming holes near his home. As he grew older he played on the Heber City baseball team and also played a bass horn in the city band.

James was called to serve as a missionary in Wisconsin, and after completing his mission he returned and married Sarah E. Giles

in the Park City mines. Early in his married life he was stricken with arthritis, from which he suffered greatly and eventually became an invalid.

At the time of death, August 14, 1959, James, or "Uncle Jim," as he was called, was Heber's oldest native resident. He was 90 years of age.

Sarah Elizabeth Giles Murdoch was born in Heber City, Utah, on December 4, 1878, to George M. and Mary Elizabeth Mayoh Giles. She spent her childhood days on the ~~Wims~~ Davis ranch, at what was then called Elkhorn, where her father moved his family when she was eight years of age. Later they returned to Heber and she attended the old Sleepy Hollow School.

Sarah's father hauled freight to Park City for the A. C. Hatch Company. In order to help supplement the family income, she would follow him, driving another team.

She always was an ardent Church worker until her health and age prevented her from serving. She taught in the Primary a number of years, was first counselor in the Stake MIA, was a Relief Society visiting teacher, and also served as assistant secretary in the ward Relief Society.

Besides taking care of her home and family, she was for a number of years a mid-wife, working with Dr. W. R. Wherritt and Dr. T. A. Dannenberg.